



# NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg, the Omaha Police Department and the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), announce the following information for the attention of the media:

**Event Triggering this Release:**

On April 30, 2010, Frank Mouivo-Matsima entered a guilty plea to trafficking in counterfeit fashion items. Mouivo was operating a business near 72<sup>nd</sup> & Blondo named Truck Direct. From this business, Mouivo sold “knock-offs” of handbags, wallets, sunglasses and shoes from such well known manufacturers as Louis Vuitton, Coach, Versace, Kate Spade, and others. Mouivo was also known to have sold some of his knock-off products through purse parties.

Mouivo was brought to the attention of local law enforcement when ICE agents received a confidential tip that Mouivo was trafficking in counterfeit products. ICE agents then initiated an investigation which included undercover buys of counterfeit products from Trunk Direct. Mouivo, a native of Gabon, Africa is subject to ten years in prison and a \$2,000,000 fine, as well as his removal back to Africa as a consequence of the conviction on his immigration status. His sentencing is scheduled for August 6, in front of the Honorable Judge Joseph F. Bataillon.

**Name of Defendant:** Frank Mouivo-Matsima

**AKA:**

**Age:**

**City of residence:** Omaha, Nebraska

**Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty** (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Trafficking in counterfeit goods, 10 years imprisonment, up to a \$2,000,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, not less than 3 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

**Specific Location of Alleged Crime:** Omaha, Nebraska

**Location of Arrest:** Omaha, Nebraska

**Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:**

**Others Charged in Same Scheme:**

**Relevant Dates:**

**Date of Alleged Crime:** From on or about the 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008, and continuing through and including the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009

**Federal Arrest Date:** April 29, 2009

**Date Complaint Issued:** N/A

**Indictment Returned Date:** April 21, 2009

**Initial Appearance Date:** April 29, 2009

**Plea or Trial and Date(s):** Plead guilty on April 30, 2010

**Sentencing Date:** August 6, 2010

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** Sentencing scheduled for August 6, 2010

**Assigned Magistrate Judge:** Thomas D. Thalken

**Held without Bond, or Released from Custody:** Released from custody

**In Continuous Custody Since:** N/A

**Assigned District Court Judge:** Joseph F. Bataillon

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